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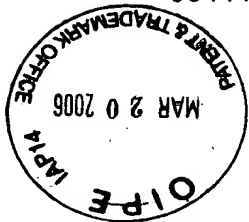
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed December 19, 2005, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks set forth below and request favorable action thereon.

Although the claims have not been amended, a **Listing of the Claims** for the Examiner's convenience begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.